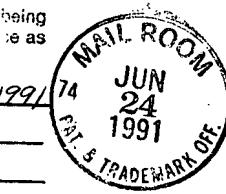


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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 19, 1990, rejecting Claims 104-109, 113-118, 125-137 and 140-144 pending in the subject application. A Petition and Fee for a three month extension of the period for response is filed herewith. Applicants traverse the present rejection and request reconsideration and withdrawal thereof in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 1, in the first line following "May 23, 1983"
insert --- (U.S. Patent Number 4,711,955) ---.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Bridging lines 2 and 3 of Claim 113, delete "either Claim 1 or Claim 47" and substitute --- Claim 125 --- therefor.